Appendix A—Test Security Guidelines and Forms

TEST SECURITY AGREEMENT

I acknowledge that the ______ is a secure assessment and agree to the following conditions of use to ensure test security:

For State Agency, District Personnel, and Test Coordinators

- 1. a) I will take all necessary precautions to safeguard all test materials by limiting access to persons within the school district or agency with a responsible, professional interest in the test's security.
 - b) The names of all persons having access to the materials will be kept on file.
 - c) All persons having access to the materials (other than students to whom the test is administered) will sign a security affidavit, which will be kept on file in the school district office.
- 2. a) I will keep the test materials under lock and key, except on actual testing dates, limiting access to those responsible for their security.
 - b) Secure test materials, including test books and directions, will be delivered to examiners no sooner than the date of testing, unless logistics dictate an earlier delivery date.
 - c) Test materials will be kept secure until they are actually distributed to students.
 - d) In no case will students be permitted to remove test materials from the room where testing takes place.
- 3. I will not disclose or allow to be disclosed the contents of, or the scoring keys to, the test instrument.
- 4. Upon completion of testing, I will return all test materials to the designated Test Coordinator of the school district, who will in turn return all test materials to Harcourt Assessment.
- 5. I will develop, distribute, and enforce disciplinary procedures for the violation of test security by district or agency staff.

By signing my name to this document, I am assuring Harcourt Assessment that I and anyone having access to the test materials will abide by the above conditions.

Signature:	District/Agency:	
Printed Name:	Address:	
Title:	Address:	
Date	City/State/Zin:	

TEST COORDINATORS—Send your original *Test Security Agreement* and all Teacher/ Examiner *Test Security Affidavits* to Brian Brothers c/o Harcourt Assessment, 19500 Bulverde Road, San Antonio, TX 78259. Send a copy of your signed *Test Security Agreement* to the South Dakota Department of Education, 700 Governors Drive, Pierre, SD 57501.

Retain copies of *Test Security Agreement* and Teacher/Examiner *Test Security Affidavits* at the district office.